

REMARKS

Claims 1-4 and 7-10 are all the claims pending in the application.

Claim Objections

Claim 1, 2, 7 and 8 are object to due to minor informalities. Specifically, the Examiner asserts that the definition of the recited acronyms recited in these claims must be placed prior to the acronym itself. In view of the self-explanatory amendments to these claims, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the objection.

Claim Rejections

Claims 1-4, 9 and 10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Waseda et al. (JP 2001-54151; hereinafter “Waseda”) in view of Ranalli et al. (U.S. Publication No. 2003/0076933; hereinafter “Ranalli”). Claims 7 and 8 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Waseda in view of Ranalli and further in view of Keenan et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,577,631; hereinafter “Keenan”). For at least the following reasons, Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection.

Claim 1 is amended to more clearly recite the claimed invention. Specifically, claim 1 as amended recites an adaptor being connectable to a mobile phone unit through a low power wireless system or a wired cable and connected to an Internet Protocol - Private Branch eXchange (IP-PBX) through an Internet Protocol (IP) network, comprising:

a telephone unit controller which manages resource data of the mobile phone unit;

a Voice over IP (VoIP) extension section which converts a telephone number of the connected mobile phone unit, into a telephone number of a private IP telephone number corresponding to the input telephone number, and which calls a telephone number input into the connected mobile phone unit from the telephone number of the private IP telephone; and

a memory editor which links a telephone directory of the mobile phone unit and a telephone directory stored on the IP-PBX.

The Examiner acknowledges that Waseda fails to teach or suggest the claimed VoIP extension section. Instead, the Examiner relies on Ranalli as allegedly addressing this deficiency of Waseda. Ranalli discloses a directory service that resides on a data network (paragraph 39). According to Ranalli, the service allows a communication system, such as an IP-PBX, to utilize the Internet as a communication carrier alternative to the PSTN, while allowing end users to utilize telephone numbers as a common addressing scheme. Ranalli further discloses that “the location of the physical directory may be centralized or distributed on the data network”. However, Ranalli fails to teach or suggest a memory editor which links a **telephone directory of the mobile phone unit and a telephone directory stored on the IP-PBX**, as recited in claim 1.

Furthermore, the Examiner asserts that the Directory Section (DS) of Ranalli corresponds to the claimed VoIP extension section, with respect to paragraph 39 of Ranalli. While, the DS of Ranalli seems to implement a conversion of address, Ranalli however does not teach or suggest that the DS calls (or communicates by using) the converted address. As such, the DS of Ranalli does not and cannot correspond to the claimed VoIP extension section.

Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that claim 1 is patentable over the applied references. Claim 2 is amended and recites one or more features analogous to those discussed above with respect to claim 1, and is therefore patentable at least for reasons analogous to those given above with respect to claim 1. Applicant further submits that claims 3, 4 and 7-10 are patentable at least by virtue of their respective dependency from claims 1 or 2.

Conclusion

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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